(आर बी आई) निदेशकों और सरकारी निदेशकों के मामले में उनके लिए योजना में कोई विशिष्ट समय सीमा का निर्धारित नहीं किया गया है ।

(ग) 1 अगस्त, 1992 की स्थिति के अनुसार 20 राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों के बोर्डों में अध्यक्ष एवं प्रबन्ध निदेशकों, कार्यपालक निदेशकों, कर्मकार निदेशकों, अधिकारी निदेशकों, आर बी आई निदेशकों तथा सरकारी निदेशकों के रिक्त पदों का बैंकवार ब्यौरा अनुपत्र में दिया गया है। [देखिए परिशिष्ट 164, अनुपत्र संख्या 65]

RBI Instructions to Banks in Punjab

4285. SHRI BALDEV PRAKASH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that R.B.I. issued instructions to all Scheduled Commercial Banks in Punjab regarding relaxation to trade and industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what action has been taken by the Banks in Punjab in this regard; and

(d) if no action has been taken, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) As the trade and industry in the State of Punjab have been finding it difficult to have normal recourse to banking facilities owing to the prevailing exceptional circumstances, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has instructed all the commercial banks (excluding Regional Rural Banks) operating in the State of Punjab to extend various concessions/ relaxations to trade and industry. Further, the Working Group constituted by RBI in November, 1991 had made certain recommendations with a view to ensuring larger flow of credit to trade and industry in the State on the one hand and to bring about appropriate changes in the monitoring mechanism on the other. As a follow up the RBI in April, 1992 instructed all commercial banks to extend a package of concessions to trade and industry in the State which are given below:

(i) Sanction of increased working capital facilities by way of relaxation in prescribed/standardised norms for inventory and receivables by a maximum of 50 per cent depending on the merits of each case.

(ii) Review of all borrowal accounts by the concerned banks within a period of 3 months and sanction of need-based increased working capital facilities borrowers without delay.

(iii) Encourage financing against accepted hundies (usance bills).

(iv) Make available liberal finance facilities against book debts to corporate and non-corporate borrowers.

(v) To continue the existing concessions of 50 per cent reduction in service tariffs for remittance and extend the same for collection of outstation bills/cheques etc.

It has also been emphasised that there is need for continuation of existing concessions viz. adoption of flexible and pragmatic approach in regard to debt equity ratio for term loans, reschedulement of the repayment programme in deserving cases, review of all irregular accounts within a time frame of three months with a view to exploring the possibilities of regularising them through sanctioning of additional working capital facilities, extension of the period by one month for realisation of bills purchased and advance bills for collection etc.

The commercial banks are required to comply with the instructions of

RBI. Whenever a complaint relating to non-implementation/non-compliance of RBI instructions is received, the same is taken up with the concerned banks for remedial action.

Posting of Regional Rural Bank Staff, Srinagar

4286. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the migrant staff of Regional Rural Bank, Srinagar were posted at different Regional Rural Banks;

(b) if so, how many employees of the Srinagar Regional Rural Bank were posted in different areas;

(c) whether his Ministry has given the choice of place of postings to those employees who did not obey the earlier orders (order No. F. 7/32/90-RRB) dated 16th November, 1990;

(d) whether he has received any representation from the migrant staff who obeyed the orders in July, 1991 and were posted in different States, regarding the plight of their families;

(e) whether it is also a fact that those who obeyed the Minister's orders were given posting at far flung areas and those who did not obey the orders were later given the choice of place of postings; and

(f) if so, what remedial measures are likely to be taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The re-deployment orders of 181 employees of Ellaquai Dehati Bank (EDB), Srinagar were issued in November, 1990 to other Gramin Banks in different parts of the country.

(c) On the representations of a number of employees, which included lady employees also, who were unable to take up new assignments due to various reasons, the re-deployment orders of 102 such employees were issued in June/July, 1992.

(d) to (f) Any specific request of any employee for his re-deployment or adjustment will be considered by the Chairman of the Bank and Government on merits of the case.

Steps to Reduce Unproductive Expenditure

4287. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scope to reduce unproductive administrative expenditure during the current year and if so, to what extent;

(b) what concrete steps have been taken by Government to reduce Governmental expenditure at Ministers' and Secretaries' level; and

(c) what is the impact of economy and austerity measures taken so far and the resultant savings therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): (a) With a view to ensuring reduction in administrative expenses, measures already taken have been continued during the current year also. These measures include 20 per cent cut in travelling allowance budget, reduction in consumption of petrol/diesel, surrender of 10 per cent telephones, ban on holding conferences/seminars/workshops; ban on lunches/dinners at Government cost; ban on purchase of vehicles; ban on use of decorative lighting; curtailment in expenditure on consumption of electricity etc. Efforts to keep a check on expenditure is a continuous process and it is not possible to indicate the scope of reduction in quantitative terms.

(b) Steps taken to reduce expenditure at Ministers and Secretaries